

# FORTRESS IN JERUSALEM





#### Fortress in Jerusalem – level 2



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Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

People found a 2,000-year-old **fortress** in Jerusalem. It is around 250 metres long and 60 metres wide. People were looking for this fortress for more than two centuries.

Two thousand years ago, there were Greeks in the region. Historians say that the fortress is where Jewish rebels took Jerusalem back from the Greeks. The holiday of Hanukkah **marks** this **victory**.

#### **VOCABULARIES**

- Fortress /'fo:r.tres/ a large, strong building for protection
- Century /'sen.tfər.i/ period of 100 years
- Region /'ri:.dʒən/ -- any of the large official areas into which a country is divided
- **Historian /hɪˈstɔːr.i.ən/** someone who writes about or studies history
- Greek /gri:k/ belonging to or relating to Greece
- Jewish rebels /'dʒuː.ɪʃ/ /'reb.əl/ people believing or practicing Judaism who are in oppose to the rules of authorities
- Hanukkah /'haː.nə.kə/ a Jewish religious holiday lasting for eight days in December
- Mark /ma:rk/ show
- Victory /'vik.tə.i/ the act or an example of winning

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## **QUICK CHECK**

- What did people find in Jerusalem?
- 2. How is it long and how wide?
- 3. How long were they looking for this?
- 4. Who were living in the region two thousand years ago?
- 5. What do historians say about the fortress?
- 6. What does Hanukkah mark?

## **CONVERSATION QUESIONS**

- 1. Are you interested in history?
- 2. What particular topics in history are you interested in? Why so?
- 3. If you are a historian, what would your researches be? Why so?
- 4. If you are the writer of this article, what information would you be adding to this? or removing from this?